

A Bill for an Act Relating to Riding Bicycles on Roadways.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. Section 291C-145, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

“(a) Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway at a speed less than the normal speed of traffic moving in the same direction at such time shall ride as near to the right-hand curb or [edge] on the shoulder of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction; except under any of the following situations:

- (1) When preparing for a left turn at an intersection or into a private road or driveway, except where prohibited by official traffic control devices;
- (2) When reasonably necessary to avoid conditions (including, but not limited to, fixed or moving objects, vehicles, bicycles, pedestrians, animals, surface hazards, or substandard width lanes) that make it unsafe to continue along the right-hand curb or [edge.] on the shoulder of the roadway. For purposes of this section, a “substandard width lane” is a lane that is too narrow for a bicycle and a vehicle to travel safely side by side within the lane; or
- (3) When a roadway is designated and signposted to carry traffic in one direction only and has two or more marked traffic lanes, a person operating a bicycle may ride as near to the left-hand curb or [edge] on the shoulder of such roadway as practicable.”

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 23, 1998.)